Following Passage by Senate, Measure Is Forwarded With View to Early Final Action.

Washington, Feb. 23.-The administration's railroad bill, passed yesterday by the senate, moved rapidly for-ward in the house today ...th debate on amendments to the measure limited for each speaker.

Final action in the house is looked for early next week and leaders ex-pressed confidence that the differences be adjusted quickly in conference. Under the order a railroad may not fill a vacancy above the grade of gen-

eral manager or even create such an office without the director-general's

Require Monthly Reports.

Railroads also will be required to make monthly reports of the increases in salaries, appointments to vacancies and creation of new positions involving salaries between \$3,000 and \$10,000, beginning with January, 1918. This action was prompted by rumors that a few roads were planning to create new high salaried positions, on the assumption that the salaries would be paid by the government and that the road's compensation would not be diminished. It is said to be the director-general's purpose gradually to eliminate many high salaried positions and to avoid filling vacancies whenever a road can be operated without them.

There is no intention, however, of taking drastic steps toward that end and reports that the railroad administration is considering wholesale dis-missals of employes and officers considered unnecessary under governmen control are vigorously denied.

HEAVY BONDS REQUIRED OF DEFENDANTS IN COAL CASES Knoxville Coal Dealers Feel Heavy Hand of Law for Alleged Viola-tion of Price Regulation.

Knoxville, Feb. 23.—D. C. Campbell, of the D. C. Campbell Coal company, and John Q. and William C. Barker, of the Barker Lumber company, recently indicted by the federal grand jury here on charges of violating the national fuel law and regulations, were taken in custody by authorities Friday and required to give bond before United States Commissioner John M. Thornburgh for their appearance at the May term of the United States

district court.

Campbell, who is defendant in a fourteen-count indictment, charging the sale of coal at unlawful prices, was required to give a bond of \$10,000. The Barker brothers were require

to give a joint bond of \$10,000 and separate bonds of \$5,000 each, making a total of \$20,000. They are named defendants in a nineteen-count indictment, one of the counts alleging conspiracy; as well as in a separate in-dictment, charging the filing of false and fraudulent reports with the federal trade commission regarding the amount of coal handled.
Capiases for the remainder of the

forty-seven firms and individuals re-cently indicted in the coal investiga-tion are in the hands of the United States marshal and will be executed within the next few days.

#### COMPULSORY EDUCATIONAL LAWS TO BE ENFORCED

(Special to The News.)

Dalton, Ga., Feb. 23.—That the compulsory education laws will be rigidly enforced in Dalton is the subject of a circular letter the city board of education has been mailing out to parents, whose children are not in school. Already scores of children have entered school as a result of the

Very small pimples broke out on face and hands. Thought it was heat. Could hardly rest as they caused face and arms to burn and itch very much. Was ashamed and never went out. Troubled for one year, then sent for a free sample of Cuticura Soap and Ointment. Found skin getting clear so bought more. Two cakes Soap and two boxes Ointment healed. From signed statement of K. C. Lovejoy, R. 1, Box 160 C, Birming-

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## HOUSE DEBATES M'ADOO DISAGREES WITH RAILROAD BILL HOOVER ON FOOD DANGER

Director-General of Railroads Issues Assurance That East Is Not Threatened by Famine of Which Administrator of Foods Had Warned—Transportation Sufficient.

eral McAdoo yesterday gave assurance "that so far as transportation is concerned, there is no danger of suffering from a serious food shortage in the eastern part of the country." This was prompted by the warning given on Thursday night by Food Administrator Hoover that unless grain and meat movement is greatly increased in the next sixty days the country is threat-ened with an acute shortage of food,

and the program of food shipments to the allies will fail. In a letter to Mr. Hoover, the director-general declared that if the food administration will give definite information on the location of stocks of supplies intended for the allies, the railroads will move them promptly to seaboard. Simultaneously the railroad administration gave out figures show-ing that the movement of grain to primary markets in the west within the last ten days was far greater than in

previous years.

Although declaring their desire to avoid controversy with the food ad-ministration, officials of the railroad directorate last night did not conceal their belief that Mr. Hoover's ment was not borne out by the facts shown in their reports. Members of Mr. McAdoo's staff assumed the attitude that Mr. Hoover had dealt in generalities, not supported by figures simistic outlook on future food condi-

Letter to Hoover.

Writing to Mr. Hoover, Mr. McAdoo

"You are, as I understand it, the sole purchaser in this country of food sup-plies for the allied governments. You must, therefore, know the location of the food supplies which you from time to time purchase, and the ports in this country to which you desire such sup-

plies shipped.

"If you will notify me from time to time of the location of the specific supplies and the port or ports in the United States to which you wish to have such supplies transported. I will have such supplies transported. I will of the west. This movement included guarantee the necessary transportation, subject to interruption from blizzards and floods.

This movement included 17,361,000 bushels of corn, much of which was the soft corn which is so prevalent this year; 9,329,000 bushels zards and floods.
"I wish to reassure the country by

saying that so far as transportation is concerned, there is no danger of suffering from a serious food shortage in the eastern part of the country."
The food administration, upon receipt of this letter, issued this state

A. rallroad administration statement, laration that the domestic and allied from Chicago.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Director-Gen-ral McAdoo yesterday gave assurance that so far as transportation is con-erned, there is no danger of suffering rom a serious food shortage in the clared that practically all the grain being offered by farmers and local elevators was being hauled by the rail-roads under general priority orders for foodstuffs, particularly for grain in the west. It was suggested that farmers might not be bringing their grain to market as fast as they should. Rail-road officials also called attention to the fact that potato growers last held much of their crop for higher prices, and that condition is partly re-sponsible for the extraordinary offerings at this time of potatoes, which the railroads are having difficulty in mov-

> As to Food-Moving Situation. Referring to the general food-mov-

ing situation, the railroad administra-

"There has now been about two weeks of moderately good weather, during which time an extraordinary effort has been put forth by the railroads. For the week ending Feb. 16, 22,104,000 bushels of grain were ceived at western primary market, which were the largest receipts for one week in two years, an increase of 54 per cent, over the previous week and 51 per cent, over the same week last

"The average number of cars grain being loaded is 5,000, which is approximately 6,000,000 bushels daily. This has been notwithstanding that weather conditions are still severe in a large part of the country, and it will certainly increase in proportion as the

weather moderates." This statement was based on figures gathered by the traffic division of the railroad administration, headed by Edward Chambers, former traffic man-ager for the food administration. Other reports showed that in the nine days between Feb. 11 and Feb. 20, 28,365,000 bushels of grain were received at the principal elevator and milling centers of oats and 2,446,000 busheds of wheat In the eight days between Feb. 11 and Feb. 19, 38,750 cars were loaded with grain, of which 25,549 were in the western district or west of the Mississippi: 9,319 were in the eastern district and 2,882 were in the south. Forty-two special food trains, containing 1.368 cars, were sent eastward from Chicago and East St. Louis to New York, Philadelphia and Boston

days, 9,363 cars, or about 260 trains, of live stock, dressed beef and perishable products have been shipped eastward from Chicago.

### NURSE'S STIRRING STORY

OF A STEAMER'S LOSS

Miss Agnes Mitchell, a V. A. D. nurse, of Glasgow, writing on Jan. 4 of the sinking of the Aragon in the East Mediterranean, says:

"We had a most delightful journey and voyage, full particulars of which I had written up while sailing, but these are now down among the mermaids. \* \* Last Sunday morning we saw the buildings of — We were preparing for the landing which would take place in an hour's time, I was down in our cabin, packing the last few articles, when—well, I cannot explain it, but I knew what was wrong. Then there were blanched faces and hurried footsteps, but—not the least sign of panic. We had been drilled so well almost every day that we knew just what to do. "The Tommies, of whom we had the course of whom we had agot to know one another fairly some reaction. Not one of us had uttered a cry when reaction. Not one of us had uttered a cry when the two ships vent down, but when we reached the quay of the harbor, lined with cheering soldiers—our own British Tommies—and heard the cheers of welcome from all the surrounding boats, it was almost more than we could bear. Oh, to feel dear old terra firma again! It was grand. "We watched the ships returning with their loads of officers, men, and nurses. Such glad reunions there were! Every one seemed to be so closely drawn together in passing through a common danger. Then, of course, we nurses and officers had spent three weeks in one another's daily companionship. We had had a very happy Christmas together and had got to know one arother fairly were! Every one seemed to be so closely drawn together in passing through a common danger. Then, of course, we nurses and officers had spent three weeks in one another adily companionship. We had had a very happy Christmas together and had got to know one another fairly well.

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"The Tommies, of whom we had many on board, were perfect 'bricks.' They stood to their various posts and cheered us when our boats left the sinking ship—cheered us, although many of them were never to see land again. We got off safely from the fated vessel, and as we were luckily very near shore (twelve miles off) there were several trawlers quite close to us. They steamed up to us and we well.
"The two days following were jolly days, for all the men we had thought drowned kept popping into the hotel to show themselves and ask for the sisters who had been torpedoed. There have been casualties, of course, but considering the double nature of the event I think it marvelous that there were not more. Many of the officers and men who were in the destroyer described their escape as marvelous. They were simply blown off into the there were several trawlers quite close to us. They steamed up to us and we were hoisted safely into them.

"We then turned our attention to the boys struggling in the water. Our ship had by this time disappeared, stern first, so that for a few seconds she seemed to stand perpendicularly in the water. We were delighted to see the boys being safely taken to the torpedoboat which had remained with us as escort. Officers had charge of the various drafts of men, and they did splendidly also. Some were apportioned to our lifeboats, others were to be in charge of the rafts to which the men were to cling in the water until they were picked un.

Women Rescue Men.

"We were all busy in the trawlers, water. Some were sucked down, but came up again; others had fearful knocks on their faces, but still came

up smiling.

"There is always a funny side to everything. If you and seen the moteverything. If you had seen the motley crew we were, arriving at

Many of the girls had no coats: most
of us had either white cap or blue
veils on our heads—just what we were
wearing at the time. Then the men
—some had no jackets and were barefooted. One had a blanket for a kilt.

"There was one officer who had
sported a monocle on board ship. What
do you think? He was seen sitting
on a raft in the middle of the disaster

Women Rescue Men.

"We were all busy in the trawlers, nurses and officers both, pulling the poor, shivering and often half-drowned boys up the sides by means of ropes. It was hard work, but it was lovely when you managed to get one over the gunwale, and gave some return of strength by means of a little brandy or whisky. Some of us luckily had managed to save our flasks, and we were thankful, as they proved so useful. on a raft in the middle of the disaster still with his monocle. "New year's day dawned rather sadly for us. We had lost everything and
were far from home. However, during the morning we were each presented with a little Red Cross bar,
containing a brush, comb, toothbrush
and powder, and a handkerchief. It
was our sole possession, and we did
treasure it. It is not the new clothes
one regrets so much as the person." useful.

"Just as we thought of moving over to another batch of men on a raft a dreadful explosion like the first was heard, and as we looked at the torpedo destroyer, lined from stem to stern with khaki figures, we realized that she had met with a similar fate. It was a terrible moment as we stood there wondering when it would be our turn. More terrible it seemed, too, when we had to turn tail and fice—yes, actually fice for the shore in the trawlersa leaving these poor boys in the water. one regrets so much as the personc' treasures. However, we are all in the same boat. We have our health and we have each ether, so—are we downhearted? No:"

MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD FIXES DATES

yes, actually fiee for the shore in the trawlers, leaving these poor boys in the water.

"The next hour proved the worst we had ever lived through. We had some very badly hurt men in the trawler, and by looking after them and trying to heat up the shivering ones our minds were no little distracted from that which proved to be a dreadful crisis. Everything we saw as we ploughed through the water seemed to take the form of a periscope; every sound we heard seemed to start our nerves.

"However, at last we passed the advisory board for this district has announced the days the drafted men from the counties should appear here, as follows: Murray county, Tuesday mornings: Gordon county, Wednesday afternoons: Catoosa county, Thursday mornings, Whitfield county. Thursday mornings, The board, with headquarters here, is composed of the following Dalton physicians: H. J. Ault. chairman; S. W. Looper, secretary; J. H. Steed, H. L. Sams and J. B. Mc-(Special to The News.) "However, at last we passed the Afee.

FINANCIAL EXPERTS CONCERNED OVER DEBTS

Cermany's Liabilities Twenty Times That at Beginning of War.

New York, Feb. 3 .- The steady increase in Germany's national debt owing to the war and the delay in adopting a sweeping plan of taxation reform to care for the increased liabilities of the empire, already more than twenty times higher than the national debt at the outbreak of the war, is a source of constant con-cern to German financial experts.

In the Berlin Tageblatt of Jan. 5, Ar thur Norden, the paper's financial expert, sharply criticises the failure of the government to provide for any redemption of the war debt asile from a proviso establishing a redemption fund for the tis per cent. treasury certificates which formed a small part of the last two war loans. He calls for radical measures to check the piling up of the burden of war indebtedness. Norden contrasts the policy of Ger-many, which, as is known, has no

provided even enough increased taxation to meet the interest on its war debt and is paying a part of the interest coupons of earlier war loans from new bor-rowings, with that of Great Britain, which, he points out, had raised by taxation almost 25 per cent. of its war expenditures down to the end of 1917.

The argument that a heavier taxation of war profits, which make up the bulk of the nominal increase in Germany's capital, would interfere with the produc-tiveness of German industry, and the fear that increased taxation of incomes would kill the war-willingness of the population, are dismissed as unfounded In fact, Mr. Norden argues, to attack the abnormally high war incomes attained in certain industries and by certain ele-ments of the population would be of de-cided value in cutting down the high cost

of living resulting from the extravagant

standards of life among the war prof-

iteers. Norden cites the action of the American government in establishing maximum prices for steel and other raw materials of war industry and in immediately introducing high war taxes as an admirable example for Germany to follow, and speaks with admiration of the Wilson plan of taking control of the railroads. Norden's scheme for taking care of the state debt comprises a radical increase in the tax on incomes, not upon capital as generally contemplated by German financiers. He holds that the proposed taxes upon capital merely lead to extravagant spending, while the income tax can be so adjusted to bear heaviest upon the recipients of high war incomes

#### DEATH OF CHATTOOGA COUNTY'S LARGEST WOMAN

(Special to The News.)
Lyerly, Ga., Feb. 23.—Mrs. W. C.
Carter, probably the largest woman in hattooga county, died Wednesday at her home near Menlo. Mrs. Carter touched the scales at about 325. She was the wife of a well-known farmer of the Alpine district.

SIMP BAINE BOUND OVER ON MURDER CHARGE

ing, since it indicates that further cars will be furnished in western terminals and that the shortage from these western terminals and that the shortage from these western terminals to eastern territory will now be overcome. As the railway directorate are evidently alive to the situation, they will no doubt take all necessary steps."

New York, Philadelphia and Boston Scottsboro, Ala., Feb. 23.—Simp Baine was given a prtliminary trial today before Judge A. H. Moody for through movement of food trains is through movement of food trains is still continuing, and six trains of meats are going daily to eastern ports for export.

Between Feb. 19 and Feb. 21, twelve the defendant.

#### DALTON TO BUY MOTOR-DRIVEN TRUCK

(Special to The News.) Dalton, Ga., Feb. 23.—Motor driven fre apparatus will displace the old horse-drawn equipment here. The city council has purchased for early delivery from the American-LaFrance Fire Engine company, the type-40, triple combination fire truck, containing extension ladders, chemical en-gine and pump in addition to hose, at a cost of \$9,000.

#### MAN WANTED ON CHARGE OF FORGERY

(Special to The News.)
Dalton, Ga., Feb. 23.—A man, giving his name as M. A. Pack, has been arrested in Screven, Ga., and local of-ficers have gone after him. Pack is charged with forging the names of several Murray county men to a note in an effort to get \$500 from the First National bank of Dalton. The note came to the bank here in a letter. According to the bank officials, the four signatures on the note clearly showed the same handwriting there. showed the same handwriting, there being no attempt to disguise it.

#### SCHOOLS PLEDGE THEIR HELP TO RED CROSS

(Special to The News.) Dalton, Ga., Feb. 23.—All four of the city schools and ten of the county schools have pledged the entire student bodies as members of the Junior Red Cross, and it is believed that every school child in the county will be a member before the organization work is completed. Many schools have pledged more money and work than is required to qualify as an aux-

LETTERS MAY BE SENT TO ENEMY PRISONERS OF WAR Washington, Feb. 23.-Letters and postcards to enemy or ally of enemy

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alions in Great Britain, France or Italy may sent from the United States under a general license granted by the war trade board. The letters must be addressed directly to the prisoners. giving name, designation and ddress, and must be marked prisoner of war-mail, via New York," and senders are cautioned not to include any informaion that may give aid or comfort to the enemy.

They will be sent under regulations to be prescribed by the state or war department, the postmaster-general the censorship board or the war trade

#### DALTON COUNCIL OPENS CITY GATES TO HOGS

(Special to The News.) Dalton, Ga., Feb. 23.—The Dalton city council has gone on record as favoring the policy of more meat in Georgia this year by removing all restrictions from the keeping of hogs within the city limits. The fire limits alone are reserved. Heretofore, in order to raise a hog, the owner had to obtain the permission of the adjoining property owners and a special permit from the city. The city council has now passed an ordinance telling the people to go to it without getting anybody's permission.

BAKER SAYS MORTALITY AMONG AVIATORS NOT HIGH

Washington, Feb. 23.-Although there have been fifty-one fatalities at army aviation training camps in this country, the death record was described last night by Secretary Baker as re-markably low. Since last June, he pointed out, student aviators have flown more than 100,000 miles.

Records of the war department show that 10 officers and 29 cadets were killed on training flights, and that

12 men lost their lives in unauthorized flights and in ground accidents.

"Taking into account," said the secretary, "the ordinary hazards of their occupation, the development of a comparatively new art, and the ratio of accidents in everyday fields of enaccidents in everyday fields of deavor, it is felt that the fatality ord among America's student aviators will compare favorably with those of other countries, and while distressing, is not discouraging."

AMERICAN I. W. W. MEMBERS IN ENGLAND SENT TO JAIL

London, Feb. 23.—Clarence Edward Boyington and Paul Aloysius Manning. American representatives of the In-iustrial Workers of the World in Eng-and, were sentenced to six months imprisonment yesterday in the Bow Street police court. The men also were recommended for deportation. They were charged with spreading pacifist propaganda in England with a view to causing disaffection among workmen.

Boyington and Manning were arrested Feb. 8 at the Communist club. It was alleged that they distributed inflammatory leaflets during a meeting of the Engineers' society in London. William Lucas and Arthur Tilly. Englishmen, were arrested at the same time.

SPECIAL SESSION LEGISLATURE CALLED TO ELECT SENATOR

Madison, Wis., Feb. 23.-Gov. Philipp, of Wisconsin, last night called a special election for April 2 to choose a United States senator to fill the vacancy created by the accidental death last October of Paul O. Husting.

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